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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office action and amended as necessary to more clearly and particularly describe the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention.

As a preliminary matter, applicants note that the Examiner did not consider references cited by applicants in the IDS of May 5, 2005, which were also cited in the international search report. The Examiner indicated that the references cited in the ISR were not supplied to the PTO. Applicants' 371 acceptance letter (Form PCT/DO/EO/903), mailed October 11, 2005, indicates that the references cited in the ISR were received by the PTO. MPEP § 609.03 states that the Examiner will consider the documents cited in the ISR in a PCT national stage application when the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicates that both the ISR and the copies of the documents are present in the national stage file. For the Examiner's convenience, applicants have submitted with this paper additional copies of the references cited in the ISR and a clean copy of the May 5, 2005 IDS.

The Examiner objected to the title of the invention as not being descriptive. The title has been amended accordingly.

Claims 1-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Stewart et al. Claims 1, 2, and 4-7 have been amended. Claim 3 has been canceled. Claim 1 recites, "a first conductive part, formed of a conductor, and provided in the casing so as to be exposed from a rear face of the casing; and a second conductive part, formed of a conductor, and provided in the casing so as to be exposed from a bottom face or side face of the casing." Stewart does not teach or suggest exposed first and second conductive parts provided in a communication terminal casing. As can be seen in Fig. 1 of the application, the exposed conductive parts are visible on the exterior of the communication terminal casing. Stewart does not teach any such exposed conductive parts that are provided in a casing. Stewart's disclosed printed circuit boards (PCBs) and shield cans, among other components, are located within a housing, and are, therefore, not exposed. Applicants submit that Stewart fails to teach or suggest all of the limitations of claim 1 and, therefore, claim 1 is allowable over Stewart. Claims 2, 4 and 5 depend from claim 1 and,

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therefore, are also allowable over Stewart.

Claim 6 recites, "a communication terminal including a circuit board to which a shield case is attached on a rear face side of a casing...the communication terminal, comprising: a conductive board, formed of a conductor, and arranged along a rear face of the casing; and a conductor part...wherein the conductor part is electrically connected to the shield case and the conductive board." Stewart does not teach or suggest a conductive board arranged along a rear face of a communication terminal casing that is connected to a circuit board shield case via a conductor part. In Figs. 6a and 6b, Stewart shows a shield can 621 that is connected to a PCB 615. A rear plastic section 610 of the device includes a battery 620, which is connected to the PCB 615. However, Stewart does not teach any conductive board within the rear section 610 that is connected to the disclosed shield can. Applicants submit that Stewart fails to teach or suggest all of the limitations of claim 6 and, therefore, claim 6 is allowable over Stewart.

Claim 7 depends from claim 6 and, therefore, is also allowable over Stewart. Further, claim 7 recites, "wherein the conductive board is arranged so as to be <u>exposed</u> from the rear face of the casing." As discussed above with respect to claim 1, Stewart fails to teach or suggest any exposed conductive board. For at least this reason, claim 7 is allowable over Stewart.

New claim 8 has been added, which depends from claim 6.

New claim 9 has been added, which recites, "a communication terminal including a circuit board...the communication terminal comprising: a first conductive part, formed of a conductor, and arranged along only a lower portion of a rear face of the casing." Stewart does not teach a conductive part arranged along only a lower portion of a rear face of a communication terminal casing. Stewart's shield can 621, for example, extends beyond a lower portion of the rear section 610.

New claims 10-14 have been added, which depend from claim 9. Further, claim 10 requires exposed first and second conductive parts provided in the casing, which are not taught by Stewart.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that

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the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. NGB-38204.

Respectfully submitted,

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